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ZIETEN	WEDNESDAY, 24th April.
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PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

(Subject to alteration.)

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Hongkong, 22nd January, 1907.

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On February 11, 1907, at Shanghai, to Mr.
and Mrs. C. LEACH, a daughter.

MARRIAGES.

On February 9, 1907, at Shanghai, HENRY
JACKSON to OLIVE BEATRICE STOKES, of
New Zealand.On February 12, 1907, at Shanghai, ROBERT
JAMES CAIN, C.N. Co., to EMILY ELIZABETH
LEWIN, both of Douglas, Isle of Man.

DEATH.

On February 11, 1907, ANTHONY VINCENT
DE RAGO, aged 50 years.

The Hongkong Telegraph

HONGKONG, MONDAY, FEBRUARY 18, 1907.

THE SUGAR INDUSTRY IN
JAPAN.Reference has been made on several
occasions to the efforts which sugar refiners
in Japan are making with the object of
monopolising the sugar industry of that
country, by placing such an embargo on the
foreign product that it cannot hope to compete
with the local manufacture. It has
also been their aim to obtain such assistance
from the Government that they are in a
position to export their sugar abroad and to
sell the product at cut-throat rates, even at
an apparent loss, in order to capture the
sugar market. With respect to the latter
design, Japanese sugar has already entered
the Hongkong field and has seriously affected
the refiners of this Colony. The law
regulating the reimbursement of the sugar
tax in Japan expires at the end of next
month and a bill has been introduced into
the Japanese Diet which proposes to effect
some modifications and alterations in the
terms of the existing law. Fears have been
expressed that the modifications will result
in the opening of the Japanese preserve to
foreign competitors. The *Asahi* points out,
on the authority of an influential sugar-busi-ness man, that the new rate of reimbursement
on sugar refined from the imported raw
material for the purpose of foreign
export is the same as the existing law. This
will place the Japanese sugar mills engaged
in refining sugar for the export to Manchuria
and Korea in a very advantageous position.
The amendment Bill reduces the rate of
reimbursement on sugar refined from the
material under No. 8 of the Dutch Standard
for home consumption, from yen 1.65 yen
to yen 1.45 yen, but as of late years the
importation of this quality has been almost
entirely suspended; the amendment of the
legislation in this connection will in no way
affect the sugar business. With regard to raw
sugar of No. 15 class, however, the proposed
reduction from 2.50 yen to 1.95 yen is looked
upon with suspicion. It is feared that
the reduction of the rate may result in a
revival of importation of foreign refined
sugar. It is maintained that the Customs
duty on refined sugar has been raised to 85
sen, which has encouraged the refining in
Japan, tending to check the importation of
refined sugar. The reduction of the
reimbursement will be to abolish the
protection of the Japanese industry to that
extent, and a reduction by 55 sen of the
reimbursement will amount to the lowering of
the Customs duty on refined sugar to 30
sen. When the new law comes into force,
it is apprehended that Java and Hungary
refined sugar may become a very strong
competitor of Japanese refined sugar. The
sugar-refining industry in Java has been
steadily growing of late, and Java sugar is
sold cheaper than any other cane sugar pro-
duced in the world, and it will doubtless
come into Japan directly there is a rise in
the sugar market in this country. Hungarian
beet sugar may also find its way into Japan
as a strong competitor. With her craze
for protection and her innumerable sub-
sidies from the Government exchequer,
Japan is not likely to adopt willingly any
action which will tend to hamper or
handicap the sugar refiners, but when
it is stated that something like 6,000,000
yen is annually handed back to the
refining companies in the name of re-
bates it is clear that the taxpayers of Japan
must consider these reimbursements in the
nature of a burden from which little benefit
can be derived by them. But in their pat-
riots they may be induced to abide by the
decision, whatever it may be, arrived at by
the House of Representatives. The great
object of the Government, and it is
quite candidly admitted, is to stimulate
the sugar growers of Formosa, Oshima
and Luchu, at the expense of Java, and
to assist the refiners at the ex-
pense of Hongkong and other centres of
the sugar industry. So far, they have
succeeded in the efforts, but they have not
managed entirely to stifle their competitors
in other markets. It remains to be seen
what the precise effect will be when the re-
batement on the No. 15 Dutch standard be-
comes law. It has been suggested that the
reduction should be neutralised by an in-
crease in the price of the sugar sold in Japan to
the Japanese, but it is argued that at the
present moment, when there are signs of
over-production of sugar at home, the com-
modity cannot be sold any higher than at
the present—unless the sale is lost to some
extent. The Japanese manufacturers now
find themselves in somewhat the same position
as were those countries which supplied
Great Britain with beet sugar at the expense
of their taxpayers, before Great Britain
signed the Brussels Convention which
did away with the bounty system. Then
German sugar was selling in Germany
at anything from sixpence to eighteenpence
per lb., while the people of Great
Britain were receiving the same article at
an average retail cost of twopence per lb.
By the system of reimbursements the Japanese
refiners are able to undersell their rivals
abroad, and make up any loss incurred by the
profits derived from the home trade and the
support of the Government. Little wonder
then that those who stand to lose by the
reduction on the rebates are impatient of
amendments, and there is no doubt they will
make a stiff fight for the retention of what
they have come to consider their rights.
There is a ray of hope for the Hongkong
refineries, should the amending Bill become
law for which we, at least, can afford to be
thankful. Times are dull enough to make
even the faintest lifting of the clouds a
source of satisfaction, and it may be that
this effort on the part of the Japanese Gov-
ernment to economise will have the effect of
brightening the prospects of the local sugar
industry.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

The German mail of the 16th January was
delivered in London on the 16th inst.We have received a handsome calendar, which
is a fine wall ornament, from Messrs. A.
Charlton & Co.LIEUTENANT B.H.F. Fleming, 3rd Middlesex
Regiment, arrived here per s.s. *Manila* from
England, on 17th instant, for duty.RETURN of visitors to the City Hall Library
and Museum for the week ending 17th
February, 1907.—Library, non-Chinese, 218;
Chinese, 69; Total, 187. Museum, non-
Chinese, 146; Chinese, 5,693. Total, 5,709.LEAVE of absence to England on termination
of appointment, has been granted to Major
A. A. Chichester, D.S.O., Major-General Staff,
from 5th March to 10th May, 1907.A JAPANESE potato grower of Stockton,
California, is reported to have succeeded in
"cornering" the Californian potato market,
and the inhabitants of the State are forced to
pay the price he demands. He expects to
make a profit of a million dollars.S. M. Surveyor *Planet* sailed from Manila
on 12th inst. for Hongkong where she will be
docked and undergo repairs. During the stay
of the German scientific exploration vessel in
Manila her officers have been shown many
courtesies of a social nature by the members of
the German colony, and expressed themselves
as delighted with their visit to that port.Apecular state of affairs has just developed
in the Bureau of Posts at Manila. Dr. J. W.
Anderson, of the Bureau of Lands, applied at
the stamp window a few days ago for some 26
contavo stamps, for the prepayment of postage
and registry, amounting to 13c gold, on some
matter he had for the European mails. He
was told that the stamps of that denomination
on hand were reserved for stamp collections.THE *Times* announces that the Egyptologist
David has discovered at Thebes, the tomb of
the Queen Teje, and her mummy. Teje was
the most famous of the Egyptian Queens. The
mummy was wrapped from head to foot in
sheets of gold. The coffin is a miracle of
jeweller's work, and the head was encircled by
the imperial crown of the Queens of ancient
Egypt. The tomb contains likewise beautiful
alabaster portraits of the Queen and other
objects of the greatest interest.—*Reuter*.CHAN Chai, master of cargo boat No. 558 was
charged before Lieut. C. W. Peckwith, R.N.
Marine Magistrate, at the instance of Mr. E.
Pearce, overseer, of Messrs. Butterfield and
Swire, with crossing that company's diving area,
which is marked by four red flags, and refusing
to move away when ordered to do so, and also
with refusing to show his licence when asked for
it. Chan said he did not know what the red
flags were there for. The charges were proved
and Chan was fined \$4, or two months' hard
labour. The fine was paid.THE *S. F. Press* of 11th inst. says:—In our
short leader on Saturday referring to the terms
of contract with Sir John Jackson and Company,
we fell unwittingly into an error in stating
that if the company did not get the Tanjong
Pagar contract they were to be paid £20,000
plus the loss of the profit they might reasonably
have expected to make on the cancelled
contract. The terms are in reality that if such
a loss of profits had to be paid, the amount when
arbitrated would be subject to the deduction of
£20,000 if that had been paid over already for
expenses and liabilities.THE Governor of Shansi has wired to the
Waiupu protesting against the dispatch of
any foreign employee of the Peking Syndicate
to Pingtingchou for procuring coal ores for
examination by British scientists in England,
on the ground that the natives are not on good
terms with the Syndicate in consequence of
the dispute in connection with the working of
mineral deposits on Shansi. The natives also
refuse to recognize the four additional regula-
tions recently agreed to between the Syndicate
and H.E. Sheng Kungpo, at Shanghai for the
establishment of an iron foundry at Shou.INSPECTOR Walker, Glendinning, of the Electric
Tramway Company, proceeded against
Wong I Tai, a boatman, of cargo-boat No.
1,230, at the Police Court, this morning, for
behaving in a disorderly manner on car No. 33,
Des Voeux Road Central, on Saturday after-
noon. From the evidence adduced in Court
there is not the slightest doubt that Wong is
an expert "cuser." He boarded the car at
East Point and refused to pay his fare when
asked by the conductor. "Now hurry up," the
conductor said he told Wong, "you see the car is
full. Don't keep me waiting." Wong blazed
away in good style, and had not finished when
the policeman arrived and took him in charge.
Mr. Melbourne fined him \$2, which he paid
smilingly.THE second performance of "Facing the
Music" was given by our local amateurs on
Saturday night, and if the first performance
was good the second surpassed all the A.D.C.
had done before, and each individual per-
former scored a separate and individual suc-
cess in the portrayal of his or her allotted part.
Perhaps it was the cold weather or perhaps it
was that everybody was reserving himself
for Race Week, or perhaps it was the dis-
inclination to sit for three hours in a draughty
theatre, however great the attraction on the
stage, but whatever it was the "house" was
not what could be called an ordinary Saturday
night house. The piece went very
well, with a swing and a verve that showed
most painstaking study on the part of all our
local amateur exponents of the histrioic art,
and altogether the piece—farce, comedy,
episode—cal it what you will, hung well together
throughout, and in that respect compared
somewhat more favourably with some of the professional productions we have
witnessed on the same stage. The preliminary
wait and the intervals were kept from becoming
wearisome or enervating by the delightful se-
lections played by the Band of H.M.S. *Maul*,
dictu, the ten minute intervals were ten minute
intervals—no more. But that is, of course, ex-
plained by there being no scenery or costume
to change. Altogether those who have ap-
peared in "Facing the Music" will miss a
good thing if they don't go and laugh over
the mirth-provoking touch the similarity of
names runs two families into at the Theatre
Royal to-night.The Sanitary Surveyor said the site was
suitable for the purpose, as the Fukinse was
only a very small community.The Medical Officer of Health intimated: I
should like first to know what the opinion of
the D.P.W. is on the subject, as the allocation
of this site as a cemetery may interfere with
the projected laying out of Kowloon—in regard
to roads, etc., in which case it is a useful
suggestion.The Hon. the Director of Public Works said:
I think there is no objection to this site
being used as a cemetery.The Hon. the Registrar General intimated:
It is so difficult to find suitable cemetery sites
on Crown land that I think this offer of private
land should be accepted.Mr. Shelton Hooper intimated: I think this
offer should be accepted, provided that the
land is surrendered to Government, and the
cemetery be subject to the regulations of the
Sanitary Board.Mr. Lau Chi Pak intimated: I agree with
the Hon. the Registrar General. Such a
generous offer should be accepted.

OVERCROWDING.

The report of the inspector relative to over-
crowding during the month of January, 1907,
was submitted, and showed that during that
month, 435 persons, were ordered to vacate
overcrowded premises, and remove to other
localities.

LINEWASHING.

During the fortnight ending 24th January
1907, 15 houses were cleared and linewashed
under the supervision of the Sanitary Au-
thorities.THE HONGKONG ICE COMPANY
LIMITED.

ANNUAL MEETING.

The twenty-sixth ordinary annual meeting
of shareholders in the Hongkong Ice Co., Ltd.,
was held at the offices of the general managers,
at 11.30 a.m., to-day, to receive a statement
of the company's accounts to 31st December, 1906,
and the report of the general managers. These
were present:—The Hon. Mr. W. J. Gresson (in the chair); Messrs.
T. S. Forrest (secretary); A. Brooke Smith,
Murray Stewart, Ho Fook, Lo Cheung, Liu,
W. A. Cruickshank, H. W. Looker, C. H. Ross,
C. D. Wilkinson, and G. C. Nixon.The Secretary read the notice convening the
meeting.The Chairman then said—Gentlemen, with
your approval I propose to take the report and
accounts as read. We have again to record a
satisfactory increase in earnings, receipts from
sales of ice and cold storage being larger than
in 1905. As regards the latter it would be well
to mention that the earnings for the first six
months of the year, due to the large stocks
then carried by the Dairy Farm, exceeded
very considerably those of the last six months,
when stocks had been reduced to a more
normal level, and a concession in storage rates
had been made to these constituents. The
seven new ice-boxes completed early in the
year were, I am glad to report, all in use during
the hot season. You are all probably aware
that a rival company to be operated in Canton
has for some time past been talked of, and had
actually commenced building, but I believe I am
correct in saying that it now proposes to go
into liquidation. Your General Managers re-
cognise that if the business continues to in-
crease we have almost reached the maximum
output possible from our present premises, are
now considering the advisability of erecting a
small factory at Canton, which will enable
them to supply that market during the hot
season, and at the same time, it is hoped, stave
off all opposition. The appropriation of the
available space will I trust command my
attention.The *Times* announces that the Egyptian
Archaeologist David has discovered at Thebes,
the tomb of the Queen Teje, and her mummy. Teje was
the most famous of the Egyptian Queens. The
mummy was wrapped from head to foot in
sheets of gold. The coffin is a miracle of
jeweller's work, and the head was encircled by
the imperial crown of the Queens of ancient
Egypt. The tomb contains likewise beautiful
alabaster portraits of the Queen and other
objects of the greatest interest.—*Reuter*.The *S. F. Press* of 11th inst. says:—In our
short leader on Saturday referring to the terms
of contract with Sir John Jackson and Company,
we fell unwittingly into an error in stating
that if the company did not get the Tanjong
Pagar contract they were to be paid £20,000
plus the loss of the profit they might reasonably
have expected to make on the cancelled
contract. The terms are in reality that if such
a loss of profits had to be paid, the amount when
arbitrated would be subject to the deduction of
£20,000 if that had been paid over already for
expenses and liabilities.

TELEGRAMS.

[Reuters.]

The Duty on Opium.

London, 15th February.

Mr. Morley announces that China has increased the duty on native opium to 175 taels, which is above the duty charged on imported opium.

His Majesty's Government is considering proposals for a corresponding increase on the latter.

Later.

Labour in Queensland.

Mr. Deakin, Minister of State for External Affairs, has authorized the importation of a thousand Italians into North Queensland for work in the sugar fields, in place of Kankas.

Newfoundland—The Modus Vivendi.

The Newfoundland Assembly has adopted an address to Lord Elgin, protesting against the *modus vivendi* with the United States, in the strongest terms, and objecting to its renewal.

Obituary.

17th February.

The deaths are announced of Rear Admiral Hamilton, and Signor Carducci, the Italian poet.

The Hague Conference.

M. Demartens, who is on a special mission to the European capitals from the Tsar, with the object of making arrangements for The Hague Conference, had a prolonged audience with the King on Friday. M. Demartens' mission to London has been of a most satisfactory nature. He leaves for The Hague to-day.

CANTON DAY BY DAY.

NEW LIEUT. TARTAR GENERAL.

[From Our Own Correspondent.]

Canton, 16th February. The newly-appointed Lieutenant Tartar General Li Kwok Kit, a grandson of the late Li Hung-chang, arrived at Canton on the 9th instant at noon on the Chinese gunboat *Yuk Po* and was received on the Tien Tsu wharf by the Prefect of Kwangchow, Magistrate of Nambu and Punyu and others. The Viceroy and the Tartar General called on the Lieutenant Tartar General on the following day. The Lieutenant Tartar General took over the seal of office on the afternoon of the day of landing.

LIXIN COLLECTION.

The collection of Lixin dues for the half year (Chinese) ending the twelfth moon amounts to Tls. 83,984 for the province of Kwangtung. A report on the collection has been presented to H.E. the Viceroy.

NEW YEAR GREETINGS.

The Consuls of the different countries represented in Canton yesterday called on H.E. the Viceroy to offer their greetings to H.E. on the occasion of the Chinese New Year. The Commissioners of Customs and Posts also called on H.E. for the same purpose.

THE NEW DUND.

To-day H.E. the Viceroy sent Wei-yuan 10 in company with the weiyuan in charge of the construction of the new bund to confer with the local representative of Messrs. Howorth, Braksie & Co., engineers, Sh'mean, on matters in connection with the resumption of the construction of the bund. It is reported that H.E. desires to place this undertaking in the hands of foreign engineers.

UNNECESSARY ALARM.

On the closing of the last Chinese year, learning from a secret informant that a number of revolutionaries contemplated raising a rebellion on the last day of the old year and that the editor of the Chinese paper *Yee Shuf Skal Kee Pao* was among them, Admiral Li Chun at once communicated with the Viceroy, and accordingly the editor of the said paper was arrested. Afterward the editor was released on a guarantee from the Canton community. The Viceroy had instructed all officers and police to take extra care in the exercise of their duties, especially on the last day of the last year. The Tartar General was also requested to give instructions to the Banner troops to be ready for emergencies. The old year, however, closed peacefully and no disturbances of any kind happened.

THE NEW YEAR HOLIDAYS.

The Chinese New Year holidays passed off very quietly this year. The different steamers in port were "dressed" for the occasion and much firing of crackers indulged in. The weather has been very cold, but so far rain has kept off. Business was, as usual, completely suspended and a fresh start will be made on the eighth or ninth day.

THE WEATHER.

The following report is from Mr. F. G. Figg, First Assistant of the Hongkong Observatory:—On the 15th at 12 p.m.—The barometer has fallen over Central Japan, and risen over N.E. Japan and the E. coast of China.

The depression is probably moving Eastward over the Pacific to the S. of Japan.

Pressure is high over Central China and over N.E. Japan.

Fresh to strong monsoon may be expected in the Formosa Channel, and the China Sea.

FORECAST.

1.—Hongkong and neighbourhood, N.E. winds, fresh; squally, probably some rain.

2.—Formosa Channel; N.E. winds, fresh.

3.—South coast of China between Hongkong and Lantau, same as No. 2.

4.—South coast of China between Hongkong and Hainan, same as No. 2.

HONGKONG AND WHAMPoa DOCK CO., LTD.

ANNUAL REPORT.

The report of the Board of Directors of the Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Company, Limited, to the ordinary yearly meeting of shareholders, to be held at the offices of the company, Queen's Buildings, on Monday, the 25th inst., at 12 noon, is as follows:—

To the shareholders of the Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Company, Limited.

Gentlemen.—The directors have now to submit to you their report, with a statement of accounts for the half-year ended 31st December, 1906.

The net profit for the six months, after paying interest due and all charges, amount to £369,596.36 to which has to be added the balance brought forward from last account 392,087.38

and from this have to be deducted—

Directors' fees 50,000 co

Auditors' fees 750.00

leaving available for appropriation 750,037.74

The directors recommend that a dividend for the half-year of 12½ or £300,000 be paid to shareholders, plus £50,000 to a special account and carry the balance £300,933.74 to the new account.

During the past six months we have finished and delivered two wooden lighters and are now completing twelve more. Another steel steam water boat has been constructed, while a second vessel is approaching completion. Two steam launches have been turned out; one stern-wheel steamer for Haiphong has already left for that port, and three others are almost ready to be taken over.

In connection with the proposed lengthening of the No. 1 Dock, we have purchased at public auction Hung Hom Marine Lot No. 3 comprising about 160,000 square feet, and have acquired from the Government, as an extension of Kowloon Marine Lot No. 27, about 76,000 square feet of land.

The electric drive is completed in the saw mill and gives satisfactory results.

DIRECTORS.

The Hon. Mr. C. W. Dickson and Mr. D. R. Brown having left the Colony, the Hon. Mr. W. J. Gresson and Mr. D. W. Craddock have been invited by the directors to the vacant seats at the Board. These appointments require to be confirmed by the shareholders at this meeting.

In accordance with clauses 78 and 85 of the Articles of the Association, Mr. N. A. Siebs and the Hon. Mr. W. J. Gresson retire by rotation but, being eligible, offer themselves for re-election.

C. P. CHATER, Chairman.

Hongkong, 15th February, 1907.

JULY TO DECEMBER, 1906.

CAPITAL ACCOUNT.

1906, Dec. 31. Assets.

To value of Aberdeen Docks, as per last statement 100,000.00

Kowloon—

" value of Kowloon Docks, as per last statement 2,436,787.71

" Less amount since written off 36,787.71

2,400,000.00

" amount paid in connection with purchase of H.H.M.L.

No. 3 36,337.00

" amount paid in connection with purchase of extension of Kowloon M.L.

No. 27 17,150.25

" amount paid on account of new electric installation 2,546.00

" cost of electrical gear for boiler-shop

" cost of high-speed screw cutting lathe

" cost of planting machine for sawmill

1,100.00

2,469,860.25

Cosmopolitan—

" value of Cosmopolitan Dock, as per last statement 301,712.45

" Less amount since written off 1,712.45

300,000.00

" value of tugs, dredgers, launches and lighters 46,172.80

" sundry debtors 47,991.25

" work in progress 183,533.00

" value of material on hand 1,551,352.72

1,733,767.32

£5,551,652.01

Liabilities.

1906, Dec. 31. By Shareholders for 50,000 shares of £50 each, fully paid up. 2,500,000.00

" Add. 100,000.00

" Less amount 18,214.0.1

2,483,785.10

19,478.60

Marine insurance account 56,209.43

" Sundry creditors 2,214,193.24

" Balance of profit brought forward from last account 32,087.38

" Profit 369,596.36

55,551,652.01

REVENUE ACCOUNT.

To Interest 62,706.83

" Crown rent 3,125.05

" Fire insurance 3,227.46

" Office expenses, salaries, stationery and rent of head office 30,732.07

" Legal expenses 1,522.83

" Marine insurance account 334.50

" Subscription to Typhoon Relief Fund 1,000.00

" Profit 369,596.36

54,804.20

£480,245.10

July 1 to December 31, 1906.

By Net Earnings of the Company's three establishments £470,307.49

1. Tugage net earnings 5,184.01

2. Dredger net earnings 3,889.60

3. Bonus on insurance premia, &c. 84,000.00

£480,245.10

JOCKEY CLUB RACES.

TO-MORROW'S EVENTS.

Following is the programme of the races to be run to-morrow, commencing at 11.30 a.m.—

1.—THE WONG-WEI-CHONG STAKES.—Value £150.

Second to receive £100; and third £50.

For China ponies, subscription griffins of this season 1906-1907. Weight for inches as per scale. Jockeys who have never had a winning mount allowed 5 lb. Entrance £10. Half a mile.

2.—THE VICTORIA STAKES.—Value £500.

Second to receive £100; and third £50.

For China ponies. Weight for inches as per scale. Bond side griffins on date of entry allowed 5 lb, subscription griffins of this season 1906-1907 allowed to lb. Entrance £10. One mile.

3.—THE VALLEY STAKES.—A few sweepstakes of £10 each with £10 added. Winner to receive 70 per cent.; second 20 per cent.; and third 10 per cent. For China ponies, subscription griffins of this season 1906-1907. Weight for inches as per scale. Three quarters of a mile.

4.—THE MAIDEN STAKES.—Value £500.

Second to receive £150; and third £50.

For China ponies, bond side griffins on date of entry. Weight for inches as per scale. Subscription griffins of this season 1906-1907 allowed 7 lb. Entrance £10. Three quarters of a mile.

5.—THE FOOCHEW CUP.—Value £300.

Second to receive £100; and third £50.

For China ponies, bond side griffins on date of entry. Weight for inches as per scale. Subscription griffins of this season 1906-1907 allowed 7 lb. Entrance £10. Three quarters of a mile.

6.—THE TRIAL PLATE.—Value £500.

Second to receive £100; and third £50.

For China ponies, bond side griffins on date of entry. Weight for inches as per scale. Subscription griffins of this season 1906-1907 allowed 7 lb. Entrance £10. One mile.

7.—THE GARRISON CUP.—Presented by the officers of the Garrison. Second to receive £100; and third £50.

For China ponies, bond side griffins on date of entry. Weight for inches as per scale. Winners at previous meetings barred. Previous winners at this meeting 7 lb. extra. Jockeys who have never had a winning mount allowed 5 lb. Entrance £10. From the two-mile post once round and in.

8.—THE LUSITANO CUP.—Presented by the members of the Club Lusitano. For China ponies, bond side griffins on date of entry. Second to receive £100; and third £50.

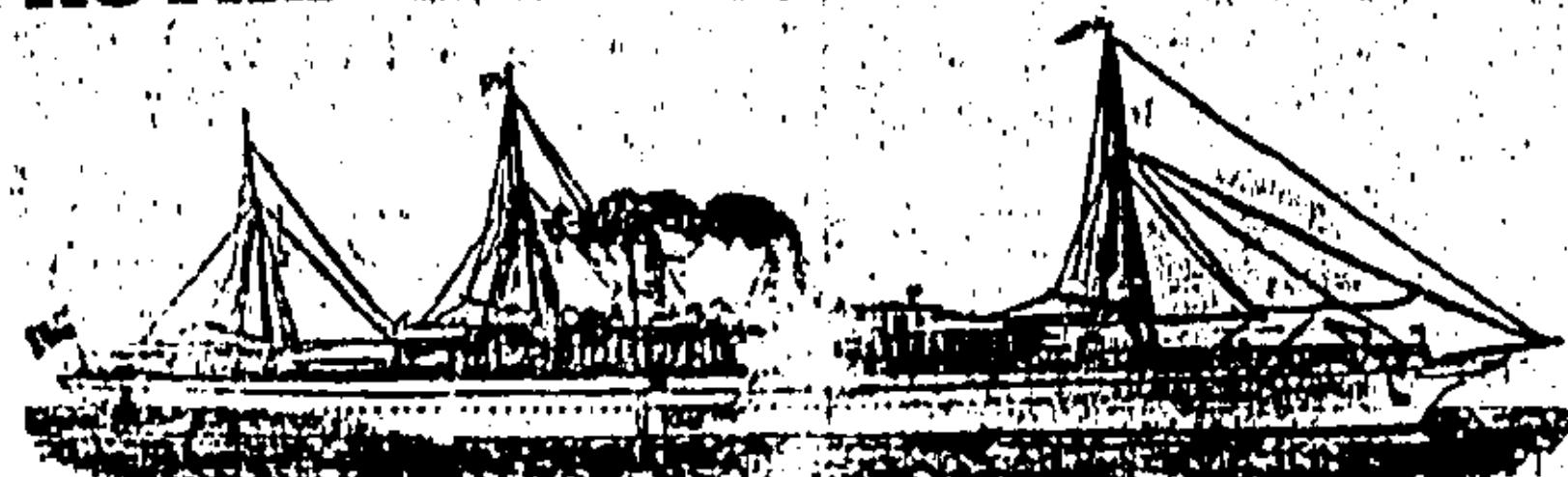
Weight for inches as per scale. Subscription griffins of this season 1906-1907 allowed 7 lb. Previous winners 7 lb. extra. Entrance £10. One mile.

9.—THE HONGKONG CLUB CUP.—Presented by the members of the Hongkong Club. Second to receive £150; and third £50.

For China ponies, bond side griffins on date of entry. Weight for inches as per scale. Griffins allowed 5 lb. Subscription griffins of this season 1906-1907 allowed to lb. Previous winners at this meeting 5 lb. extra. Entrance £15. One mile and a half.

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"MONTEAGLE"	6,163	WEDNESDAY, February 27th.....	March 23rd
"EMPEROR OF JAPAN"	6,000	THURSDAY, March 14th.....	April 1st
"TARTAR"	4,425	WEDNESDAY, March 27th.....	April 20th
"EMPEROR OF CHINA"	6,000	THURSDAY, April 11th.....	April 29th
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SHANGHAI	KIUKIANG	22nd
CESU and ILOILO	KAIFONG	26th
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Hongkong, 18th February, 1907.

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HOHENSTAUFEN..... 30th April.

SILESIA..... 31st May.

SCANDIA..... 30th June.

Hongkong, 9th February, 1907.

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SAXONIA..... 24th February.

SCANDIA..... 16th March.

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Hongkong, 4th February, 1907.

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TO LET.

A HOUSE in KNOTSFORD TERRACE, KOWLOON.

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Hongkong, 10th December, 1906.

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Captain G. Lancelin, will be despatched for
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Next sailings will be as follows:—

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S.S. SALAZIE ... 14th May.

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Agent

Hongkong, 18th February, 1907. [10]

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The twin-screw s.s. *Shawmut* and *Tremont*
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Hongkong, 8th February, 1907. [12]

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SHARE QUOTATIONS.

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STOCKS	NO. OF SHARES	VALUE	PAID UP	POSITION AS PER LAST REPORT RESERVE	AT WORKING ACCOUNT	LAST DIVIDEND	APPROXIMATE PRESENT QUOTEATION BASED ON LAST YEAR'S DIV.	CLOSING QUOTATIONS
BANKS.								
Hongkong & Shanghai Banking Corporation	90,000	\$125	\$125	\$1,000,000 \$1,000,000 \$500,000	\$1,721,558	\$1.15, and bonus of \$1 @ £1.25 = £1.25, making \$2.00 for 1906	45 2	\$2.00, ex div London 100
National Bank of China, Limited	99,025	\$7	\$6	\$127.35 \$125,000	\$74,009	\$2 (London 3/0) for 1903	—	50
MARINE INSURANCES								
Canton Insurance Office, Limited	10,000	\$50	\$10	\$1,750,000 \$2,000,000	\$233,638	\$10 for 1905	65 2	50 sellers
North China Insurance Company, Limited	10,000	\$15	\$15	\$1,100,000 \$1,000,000	Tls. 185,529	Final of 7/6 making 15% for year ended \$100,000	60	50 sellers
Union Insurance Society of Canton, Limited	10,000	\$50	\$100	\$7,000,000 \$5,000,000 \$331,51 \$1,15,000 \$100,000 \$161,750	\$21,025,271	Interim div. of 13% for 1903	50	50 buyers
Fire INSURANCES								
China Fire Insurance Company, Limited	20,000	\$100	\$20	\$6,000 \$264,38 \$93,562	\$6,563	\$12 and \$3 special dividend for 1904	95 2	160 buyers
Hongkong Fire Insurance Company, Limited	8,000	\$50	\$50	\$1,000,000 \$1,000,000 \$220,000 \$2,015	\$342,618	\$6 for 1904	60	100
SHIPPING.								
China and Manilla Steamship Company, Limited	10,000	\$25	\$25	\$6,000 \$264,38 \$93,562	\$6,563	\$18 for 1905	65 2	160
Douglas Steamship Company, Limited	20,000	\$50	\$50	\$1,000,000 \$1,000,000 \$220,000 \$2,015	\$342,618	\$10 for year ended 30/6/06	70	160
Hongkong, Canton & Macao Steamship Co., Ltd.	6,000	\$15	\$15	\$1,000,000 \$1,000,000 \$280,000 \$1,000,000	\$1,721,558	\$1 for 2nd half-year making \$2.00 for 1906	60	50 buyers
Indo-China Steam Navigation Company, Limited	70,000	\$10	\$10	\$1,000,000 \$1,000,000 \$1,000,000 \$1,000,000	\$2,412	10/- @ ex. 2/1/06 = \$4.69	50	80
Shanghai Tug and Tugger Company, Limited	700,000	\$10	\$10	\$1,000,000 \$1,000,000 \$1,000,000 \$1,000,000	Tls. 23,156	Interim div. of Tls. 21/7 1/6 for 1906	90	100 sellers
Stell Transport and Tugger Company, Limited	100,000	\$1	\$1	\$1,000,000 \$1,000,000 \$1,000,000 \$1,000,000	97,815	Interim div. of Tls. 11/7 for 1906	65	100 buyers
"Star" Ferry Company, Limited	10,000	\$10	\$10	\$1,000,000 \$1,000,000 \$1,000,000 \$1,000,000	92,218	\$31.50 for year ending 30/6/06	50	80 buyers
Taku Tug and Lighter Company, Limited	1,000	\$10	\$10	\$1,000,000 \$1,000,000 \$1,000,000 \$1,000,000	Tls. 4,613	Interim div. of Tls. 2 account 1906	80	100 buyers
PI FINRIES.								
China Sugar Refining Company, Limited	2,000	\$100	\$100	\$1,000,000 \$1,000,000 \$1,000,000 \$1,000,000	\$40,914	Final of \$15 making \$2.50 for 1905	10	50 sellers
Luzon Sugar Refining Company, Limited	7,000	\$100	\$100	\$1,000,000 \$1,000,000 \$1,000,000 \$1,000,000	132,588	\$2 for 1905	50	50
Perak Sugar Cultivation Company, Limited	7,000	\$50	\$50	\$1,000,000 \$1,000,000 \$1,000,000 \$1,000,000	Tls. 8,935	Tls. 4 (8%) for year ending 30/6/06	50	75 sellers
MINING.								
Chinese Engineering and Mining Company, Limited	100,000	\$1	\$1	\$1,000,000 \$1,000,000 \$1,000,000 \$1,000,000	\$12,546	Final of 1/- (No. 7) making 2% for year ended 28/2/06	50	100 buyers
Central Consolidated Mining Company, Limited	60,000	\$10	\$10	\$1,000,000 \$1,000,000 \$1,000,000 \$1,000,000	C. 900,050	Interim of 50 cents for account 1906	10	50
Sub-Australian Gold Mining Company, Limited	10,000	\$1	\$1	\$1,000,000 \$1,000,000 \$1,000,000 \$1,000,000	\$8,745	No. 10 of 1/- = 40 cents	—	100 sellers
DOCKS, WHARVES & GODOWNS.								
Fenwick (Geo.) & Co., Limited	18,000	\$25	\$25	\$1,000,000 \$1,000,000 \$1,000,000 \$1,000,000	\$8,91			